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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98

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## Dear Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the reference(s) listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

The applicants would like to make the Examiner aware of the following application being pursued by the assignee of the present application:

Application No.	Date Filed	Title
60/271,968	2/28/2001	Tournament Network for Linking Amusement Games

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1,98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/271,968 is also enclosed.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information disclosed is, or is considered to be, prior art with respect to the present application or material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of this application and hence is believed to be timely in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). Accordingly, no fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, should any fees be deemed necessary (except payment of the issue fee), the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any over payment to Jenkens & Gilchrist Account No. 10-0447/47089-00051

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